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Proposed TERO ordinance to emphasize hiring of Ho-Chunk

Ken Luchterhand
Staff Writer

Since 1986, when the Wisconsin Winnebago Business Committee adopted it, there has been an ordinance on the books of the Ho-Chunk Nation about supporting tribal employment rights.

But a new ordinance on the hiring practices of Ho-Chunk and Native American workers has been proposed. Nick Kedrowski, Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) director, and Joshua Smith, TERO investigator, have been working on the process. The TERO Commission, on November 27, approved the new ordinance for review by the Legislature to be decided for adoption, Kedrowski said.

"The new TERO Ordinance out for 45 days review is finally come to fruition of many years of work from many dedicated TERO commissioners and staff," said Donald Greengrass, TERO Commission chairman.

"This ordinance has all the just and fair components for natives looking for employment, workers

and contractors, and non-natives seeking contracts with the Ho Chunk Nation," Greengrass said. "I would like to thank all past and current commissioners and staff for their input. The ordinance will help natives with training and employment. It will also be a blueprint for other Native Nations to follow who are already asking question about how TERO works - a stepping stone to greater working relationships between tribes and states."

The ordinance is currently in a 45-day review process, at the end of which the Legislature will have a final review of the final draft after which they can adopt the ordinance as written, adopt the ordinance as they amend at a Legislative meeting, table the ordinance with further instructions to the sponsor, or reject the ordinance.

Kedrowski said that the current ordinance doesn't stipulate that the Nation has to comply with Native hiring provisions, preferences and goals of the Ordinance.

"Currently, the Nation does not have to hire a Native contractor, but once the contract is awarded, those companies must hire Natives, if they hire for the project," he said. "This is contrary to the Nation's general policy to hire Ho-Chunk and other Natives over non-Natives."

If adopted, the ordinance would require preference in hiring Native contractors and crews by the Ho-Chunk Nation. Also, when hiring for positions within the Ho-Chunk Nation, the ordinance would support the Ho-Chunk Nation's "Employee Relations Act" and enforce Ho-Chunk and Native Hiring Preferences in hiring, even if it meant the Ho-Chunk would require additional education and



Ho-Chunk tribal members received education and graduated last summer from the roofing program offered by the Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO). Almost all graduates are currently employed.

training. TERO assists with resources for education and training, Smith said.

Kedrowski and Smith also explained that the new Ordinance would raise the fee limit to a maximum of 3 percent instead of the current 2 percent. At present, a contractor company can't bid for a construction project unless it obtains a bid permit from TERO. When a project is up for bidding, the contractors obtain a bid permit and submit a bid, knowing that they will need to pay a 2 percent fee if the contract is accepted. If the contractor hires a TERO referred Ho-Chunk or other Native workers, that fee can be reimbursed. The new fees would be based upon the Contractors' inclusion of native subcontractors and workers on their projects and would be reduced accordingly rather than refunds being provided.

The new Ordinance would restore vendor provisions as well. Any vendors would have to pay a flat 2 percent fee.

Bid permits would no longer be required for a company to bid on a project. Instead, the company would need to be registered with TERO on an annual basis. As long as they hold a valid registration, they may bid on any project.

Kedrowski also is recommending protection against discrimination and harassment for everyone covered by the Ordinance. In the ordinance, language is added similar to the Employment Relations Act (ERA).

"Having this language will provide an avenue for complaints of violations of Ho-Chunk and other Native hiring preference to be investigated independently by TERO, even when the Na-

tion is the employer that is violating the ERA," he said. "Language also is included to enable TERO to remedy internal violations of hiring preference provisions and the TERO Commission to sanction those violations."



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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

To the Ho-Chunk People:

Budget season begins in the Fall with projecting the revenue for the next fiscal year, setting spending limits for each branch, prioritizing funding in each and submitting the final product for review and approval by our Legislature. This is stressful time for all and while there may not be agreement on all aspects of the budget, I'd be so bold to say we all agree the budget process and the platform should be redesigned to fit today's need of both our business and government operations.

This year, I'm presenting a budget that I hope will bring us back to need-based program funding with particular considerations in our great need of suitable housing and assistance. There are so many laws and policies that have placed not only myself but many public servants in positions of saying, "we can't help you" or "the policy won't allow it." My guess is that certain well-intended safeguards were put in place to prevent abuse or

sustain the funding. The Legislators and program managers share the same understanding but funding is only one part. The work will be re-establishing assistive policy that corrects those frustrating obstacles when someone calls for help.

I realize we can't fix all of this in one budget or policy change but it is the direction of this administration to go back to day when things were less-bureaucratic and complex and helping each other was a signature characteristic of the Hoocak people.

In my travels to various areas, it's apparent there are so many unique community needs that remind me that our strength comes from our communities and we need to keep gearing our efforts to empowering those communities. I listened to parents & grandparents in the Heights Community call for a Community Drug Alliance which looks to attack a growing problem of drugs and alcohol entering their community

and destroying the lives of young ones. This innovative approach gets us away from a remote office telling a community what they need and allows for more targeted support and resources for what their real needs are. They know their communities best.

Campaign season is underway and as an avid Facebook visitor, I'm hearing some good messages out there. I'm glad to see each and every candidate stepping up to the plate ready to bring their gifts to work for the Hoocak people. I wish every single one of them luck and while campaign season brings a variety of choices, we are all on one team. I offer each the best in their endeavors and my greatest appreciation to your families back home who share in the sacrifices you'll be making for the families of others.

In the Service of the People,
Mqasqsa
Jon Greendeer
President of the Ho-Chunk Nation



President Jon Greendeer

Chris Danou's Capitol Report

Legislation must focus on jobs

Submitted by Chris Danou,
WI State Assembly
Representative

The first weeks of the new legislative session are filled with bill introductions and requests for co-sponsorship. The topic and goals of the bills range widely in scope as legislators work to see their ideas and priorities become law. While there have been many interesting ideas addressed, I believe our focus should be on jumpstarting the economy and creating jobs.

While campaigning for Governor in 2010, Scott Walker promised people across Wisconsin that he would create 250,000 jobs during his first term in office. That was a bold pledge that if realized, would have certainly gotten the Wisconsin economy back on track. Unfortunately, in the first two years of working towards that goal, we have seen very little progress and the outlook for the next few

years isn't encouraging. With only 37,000 jobs created and a ranking of 42nd in the nation's job growth, it's clear that the path we're on simply isn't working.

Under Republican control, the past two years were the most divisive Wisconsin had ever seen in state politics and as a result, our economy moved along at a snail's pace. Again, the Republicans will set the agenda for the next two years. It's time for us to do more than talk about creating jobs and working together. It's time to act toward those goals. A few of my Democratic colleagues in the Assembly and Senate have done just that with legislation that focuses on job creation and jumpstarting the economy.

There are four bills that I want to highlight that have recently been introduced for co-sponsorship that immediately address jobs and the economy. First, The

Made in America Act requires the State of Wisconsin and local units of government to "buy American" when it comes to infrastructure and purchasing materials. This has been drafted in response to the state spending tax dollars on goods and services overseas. Second, the Buy Wisconsin, Buy Local Act encourages state and local governments to buy materials and services from Wisconsin-based companies. The bill requires the state to attempt to purchase at least 20% of materials and contractual services from Wisconsin-based companies. Third, the Workforce Growth Skills

Training Program Act creates a competitive grant training program based on the needs of Wisconsin businesses aimed at closing the skills gap that faces our state. This bill addresses the fact that many businesses don't have the local skilled workers they need to meet demand. Lastly,

the Small Business Tax Credit Now Act helps small businesses take advantage of existing tax credits for business investments by offering them up front as a grant. This bill will make state tax credits work for small businesses and help them to capitalize on opportunity by allowing the business to obtain necessary financing for growth and expansion. I am supportive of these measures and I hope they gain the bipartisan support needed from Republicans to become law.

As you can see, there are things we can do to improve

Wisconsin's economy. It doesn't really matter who or what party makes the proposal. What does matter is that there are good ideas and pieces of legislation on the table. We must identify opportunities and work together to see them become reality. In light of recent talks of bipartisanship, I am optimistic my Republican colleagues will join us in supporting these pieces of legislation that will help get our economy back on track and move Wisconsin forward.

Civil Disobedience

The time has come to start civil disobedience within the Nation. I see things going against the cultural ways, something has to be done to set things right. The Department of Health has been systematically getting rid of Ho Chunk workers and hiring non Ho Chunks in their place. Something has to be done now. Complaints have been ignored by the government structure and nothing has been done. It is time to use civil disobedience to peacefully take matters into our hands.

Behavioral Health, Community Health and the Health administration is being overrun by non Ho Chunks. Indian Health Service is no longer for Indians. The clinic was a place where Indians could work and help their own people to get well and healthy. If the Executive Branch and the Legislative won't help with the problem then it is time we, as tribal members, do something to change the way things are run.

I am asking you, as tribal

members, to BOYCOTT the Ho Chunk Health Care Clinic in Black River Falls. The Health Care Administration has let competent Ho Chunk workers go to replace them with non Ho Chunk incompetent workers who do not care about the people. Ho Chunk People worked at the Health care clinic because they know and care about the People they were serving. Now they are being served by strangers who care more about a pay check than the People they serve. This is not right.

I am asking YOU to BOYCOTT the clinic until the current Administration is relieved of their command including division directors. Please try to use other health care if you can. The only way to stop this abuse of power is to give them no power at all. Please join me in this boycott against an administration that does not care about you or your health.

Donald Greengrass,
Wigi Wax Híre
(They Ask Him)

Secretarial Election Certification

On December 12, 2012 the Office of the President received the official certification and approval from the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) of the Secretarial Election amendments that were voted on as part of the August 14, 2012 Secretarial Election. The Election Board has already called for the General Election pursuant to Article VIII of the Ho-Chunk Nation Constitution and the Ho-Chunk Election Ordinance, 2HCC§6. Due to the fact that the Nation has now received the official certification of the 2012 Amendments from the BIA the Election Board will be using those amendments, specifically the amendment striking of the four (4) years baccalaureate degree requirement to run for Legislature under the Ho-Chunk Nation Constitution at Article V, Section 7.

As has been previously published, an individual tribal member had appealed the election results to the BIA and that appeal was denied. Said tribal member has now appealed the BIA's decision to the Interior Board of Indian Appeals (IBIA) within the Department of the Interior. Due to this appeal it should be noted that there is a chance that the IBIA could issue a stay of the BIA's certification of the amendments. If this were to happen, the previous version of the Constitution would have to be used by the Election Board to certify candidates and this would mean that a four (4) year baccalaureate degree would be required. However, no such stay has been issued and the Nation, including the Election Board can proceed with business under the 2012 certified amendments.

Quick and easy weight loss!

Submitted by Tara Ringler, Nutritionist

Does this sound familiar? Chances are it does since fad diets are advertised all over, especially at this time of year, and for many of them that is their claim. Read on to learn whether it is worth trying one and discover ways to improve your health.

What is a Fad Diet?

- A food and/or beverage plan you follow or supplement you take
- Supplements can be pills, powders and teas or other drinks
- Food and/or beverage plans can include products you buy or can just be instructions to follow regarding what you eat or drink
- Many fad diets are very

limited in what you can eat and/or drink and often very low in calories

- They may eliminate certain foods or even entire food groups and may even require you to not eat or drink anything for a certain time period

What are Common Signs?

- Promise you will lose a lot of weight in a short amount of time, easily
- Comments from users of the diet are given instead of facts from scientific research
- It requires you to drastically change how, what, when, and/or where you normally eat or drink
- What are the Downsides?
- Losing more than 1-2 pounds per week can be dangerous to your health
- Muscle is often used as

energy when too much weight is lost too fast

- The more muscle a person has, the more calories they burn even while being inactive

o This is one reason why most people end up weighing MORE after they go off the diet

- Nutrient deficiencies can result which can increase your risk for illness and disease

- Many of the supplements may be dangerous to your health by interacting negatively with medications you take or due to what is in them and they often are not approved by the FDA

- Lack of energy, depressed mood and digestive problems are often side effects

- They can be expensive
- It can create feelings that

you can't lose weight and affect your motivation to successfully lose weight in a healthy way

What are the Upsides?

There are some good weight loss plans out there that do work for some people. The best thing you can do is discuss your weight loss plans with your health care provider first. Any of the Nutritionists with the Ho-Chunk Nation would be happy to help you.

* For guaranteed success follow these tips for long-term weight loss and health improvement

- Small changes to your current lifestyle, made gradually over time, is the best approach

- People who have friends, family, and/or healthcare professionals who provide

support for their health goals have higher success rates

- Move more because every extra step and activity helps
- Eat more whole foods such as vegetables and fruit and less processed, convenience foods like chips and candy

- Drink more water and less sugary drinks

- Plan ahead to have healthier choices available and to help decrease eating large portions

- Eat a variety of food from all the food groups, in moderation

For further information or with questions/comments, feel free to call 888-685-4422, Ext. 5340.

Weight Loss Classes

Beginning March 4, 2013!

Wittenberg TAU Building

Beginning March 12, 2013!

Chakh-hah-Chee Community Building

Snack will be provided!



Wittenberg:

Every other Monday 1P.M.-2P.M.

Nekoosa:

Every other Tuesday 1P.M.-2P.M.

Hurry up and reserve your spot, classes are limited! Classes offered to native participants at no cost, non-natives may participate for a small fee.

Contact Rachel Montana for more information:
Phone: (715) 284-9851 ext 5039
E-mail: rachel.montana@ho-chunk.com

FOOT EXAMS AND NAIL CARE WILL BE OFFERED AT THE WITTENBERG TAU TWICE MONTHLY



MARCH
5th & 19th
APRIL
2nd & 23rd

(OR AS NEEDED BY APPOINTMENT)

9:30 AM - 2:30 PM

For more information or questions please call:
Community Health Nurse Judy
715-253-3820 or 715-893-3075

Attention: The Next Deadline of the Hocak Worak will be Feb. 22nd which will be published on Mar. 1st. Please contact Enrollment at ext. 1015 if you have a change of address or would like to be placed on the mailing list.

Diabetes BASICS Classes

Do you have diabetes, pre-diabetes or considered "high risk" and want to learn more about managing your blood sugars and preventing complications?

The Ho-Chunk Health Department has a comprehensive diabetes program that you are encouraged to participate in. Administrative leave time is approved for this program. The program will involve seven classes over the course of six months. Many important diabetes-related topics will be presented. We ask that you commit to attending all seven classes. Participants who attend all seven classes will receive tennis shoes in addition to other helpful tools.

Sessions will be beginning **March 4th** at 1:00P.M. at the **Wittenberg TAU building** and on **April 16th** 3:00P.M. at **Chakh-hah-Chee Community Building**. If you are interested in participating, please contact Rachel Montana at 1-888-685-4422, Ext. 5039. You will need to complete an assessment and have current lab work in place before starting the classes by calling the Nurse Educator at 608-253-3820 (Wittenberg only). You may be asked to have a physician check-up before the start of the program.

Sorry, due to grant funding, this program is only open to Native American participants at this time.



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Ho-Chunk Student visits state capitol to educate representatives

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Lawrence Walker, III, of the Ho-Chunk Nation and residing in Wittenberg, WI, was selected by Scenic Rivers Area Health Education Centers (Scenic Rivers AHEC) to visit Madison on January 31, 2013 for educational visits with regional legislators. A group consisting of Scenic Rivers AHEC board members, collaborators, students, and staff visited all thirteen offices of the ten counties that Scenic Rivers AHEC serves to explain the direct impact these programs are making on their communities.

Walker was chosen to share his experience as one of ten Native Students that participated in the Scenic Rivers AHEC Health Careers camp in La Crosse this past summer. While the camp has hosted local rural students for the past eleven years, this was the first summer a camp week was held specifically for Ho-Chunk Nation and Oglala Lakota Sioux students from Wisconsin and South Dakota. The students traveled to multiple facilities in La Crosse and Black River Falls for hands-on job shadowing and to explore the vast career opportunities in healthcare. The campers also visited three educational institutions covering topics like length,



Lawrence Walker along with staff and board members of Scenic Rivers AHEC meets with Representative Danou.

cost and intensity of schooling for perspective careers.

Walker candidly shared his camp experience with the legislators in Madison: "I was surprised that by the end of the camp week I had learned a lot more than expected, and really enjoyed myself." When asked of his future plans, Walker added that the camp peaked his interest in pursuing emergency healthcare in the military.

The 2nd Annual Native Students Health Careers Camp is scheduled for July 7-12, 2013 in La Crosse, WI (applications available in March). After last year's success, Scenic Rivers AHEC is hoping to increase participation to eighteen students in 2013. "We have made additional connections within the Ho-Chunk Nation to reach more students. Hopefully with each year that passes, this program will grow and be well-known and



Lawrence Walker sitting at Representative Billings' desk.

sought out by the students it is intended to serve," says Center Director, Martha McCabe.

The Health Careers Camp is just one of the many programs that Scenic Rivers AHEC provides to the southwestern Wisconsin region. If you are

interested in learning more about Scenic Rivers AHEC, participating, or hosting an event in your community, check out our website: www.scenicriversahec.org or contact Martha McCabe at: mmccabe@scenicriversahec.org, 608-487-4878.



Students, Staff, and Collaborators pause in the South Gallery of Wisconsin's Capitol to take a picture with the Liberty Bell.

Ho-Chunk Youth meet with Tomah Police Department

Submitted by
Lizette Goucher, Tomah
Ho-Chunk Youth Council
vice president.

On January 25th 2013 the Tomah Youth Center went to the Tomah police department to show their appreciation for the work they do to protect and serve, as the Ho-Chunk Tomah Youth Center's random act of kindness.

After what happened in Connecticut and the response in the schools nationwide. The Tomah high school had their own lockdown. The Tomah high school also contributed to the "26 Acts of Kindness Act." They had the students spent 15 minutes brainstorming and coming up with random acts of kindness we could do in the community or right at home. Then they wrote all of

them out and placed an act on each student's locker to remind them of this act. Most students took this idea and put it into action.

So a couple of days later a student came to the center with the idea of coffee and donuts for our very own Tomah police department. The idea was brought to the head of the Tomah Ho-Chunk Youth and Learning Center, Marty Ybarra. He then told the student to share it with the Ho-Chunk Youth Council. The meeting was held and the youth voted on the idea. The idea was agreed upon and they set out with their plans. With the help of English teacher/tutor John Richard and head of the Ho-Chunk Tomah Youth and Learning Center, Marty Ybarra, the students pictured below all

got together on a Friday morning to take the police of Tomah the much deserved treat. There they met with five police officers and sat down and introduced themselves and talked for most of the morning. The youth that had accompanied this visit were Shila Pemberton (president of the Ho-Chunk Youth Council), Lizette Goucher (vice president of the Ho-Chunk Youth Council), Kayleen Hall (treasurer of the Ho-Chunk Youth Council), Zamantha Funmaker (secretary of the Ho-Chunk Youth Council), Katelyn Bird, Victor Bird, Ryan DeCora, and Garrison Johnson.

We very much would like to thank the Tomah Police Department for letting the Youth come together and spending some time with



The Tomah Area Youth Council visit the Tomah Police Department.

them. We very much hope you enjoyed yourselves and enjoyed the company of the Ho-Chunk youth. We also would like to thank the Youth

for coming together and doing this act of kindness.

Student receives acclaim for 'Bullying' video

Ken Lucherhand
Staff Writer

Bullying is a rough subject. For people who have experienced being bullied, it brings out a range of emotions, often feelings of shame and humiliation.

Eighth-grader Roger Pekarek took on the subject of bullying in hopes that he can do something to make it stop. He's made an anti-bullying video in his school that's received some local attention.

Since he made the video, he's presented the video a number of times for groups, even in front of the teachers of the school. Also, he'll be showing the video at the 2013 Western Wisconsin Education Conference at the La Crosse Center on Friday, Feb. 15.

News of his creation has spread so that even the local Fox television station, WXOW – Channel 19, aired it on their evening news on Dec. 24.

Roger is a student at the La Crosse Design Institute, a project-based charter

school and his bullying video was part of his classroom assignment.

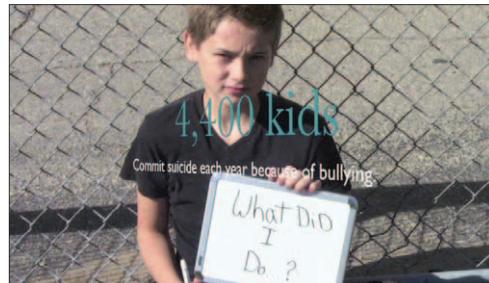
"He is a success story for that school," said his mother, Julie Rockman. "The positive changes that he has made since attending that school have been tremendous."

In previous years, Roger had been attending classes in Black River Falls. He found that he didn't enjoy his studies and his grades reflected that fact. The principal suggested for Roger to attend the charter school in La Crosse.

Julie and Roger made the move to La Crosse for his education and they both believe the gamble paid off.

"He actually wants to do his homework. He was never like this before," she said. "He gets 'A's in school and really likes science."

The school offers a different structure than a traditional classroom. The students are given parameters for projects, which student completes independently. It allows for more autonomy.



The end result of bullying can be alarming, as demonstrated by Roger Pekarek in his video.



Roger Pekarek plays the role of bullying victim in his video and he has actors and actresses display the acts that he considers bullying.

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Black River Falls:
2nd Tuesday of the month, Community Health Classroom, 1130AM-1PM
2/12/13: "National Native HIV/AIDS Day" with Jessie Tyler, RN, HIV/AIDS Specialist
4/9/13: "Healthy Relationships" with Karena Thundercloud

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Nearly 30 percent of students are either bullies or victims of bullying, and 160,000 kids stay home

In his video, Roger Pekarek demonstrates some of the acts of violence connected with bullying. He also uses subtitles to offer information to the viewer.

Roger's video is titled "Why Me? Bullying," which he began with the concept in September and worked on it until it was finished in December. Several of his friends were actors and actresses in the video, including himself in the main role as the bullying victim.

The segments were selected and spliced together using movie software on a Macbook, title pages and information pages added, then set to background music.

"I got an A+," he said. "It's the best project I did so far

this year."

His future plans include creating another video about tobacco use, along with a combined effort with his friends to create a video on myths. By the topic myths, Roger explains that he means scary paranormal legends like Slenderman and the Rake, two creepy and ghostly creatures that have been talked about throughout the years.

Besides his talents in the classroom, Roger likes rock climbing and does so on a rock climbing wall with his school in cooperation with

University of Wisconsin – La Crosse.

As for his future, he doesn't plan to become involved in the movie industry. He likes science, so he hopes to become a surgeon some day, even perhaps a brain surgeon. That's quite a turn-around for a child who previously hated school.

"He's really grown the last two years," Julie said. "He's really matured. He's more responsible and serious to do work."

Attention Ho-Chunk college students!



Applications accepted through April 5, 2013

To Apply:

1. Submit cover letter that discusses your educational history, academic major, both short and long-term career goals, desired placement site (if any), an explanation of how the internship will benefit you and the Nation
2. Send current resume or curriculum vitae (CV)
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4. Two (2) letters of recommendation from non-family members

Applications are due April 5, 2013

Twelve (12) week experience

June 3 - August 30, 2013

The internship is a **PAID** position

Eligibility Requirements:

1. Must be an enrolled Ho-Chunk member
2. Must be a college student (tech or 4-year) spring 2013
3. Must be in good standing with the Higher Education Division
4. Must be in good standing with your academic institution

Completed applications/inquiries should be addressed to:
Marcus F. Lewis, Higher Education Division Manager
P.O. Box 667
Black River Falls, WI 54615
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After one year, Gene J. Cloud still listed as missing

Ken Luchterhand

Staff Writer

Gene J. Cloud Jr. has been missing more than a year and a new effort is being made to find him.

Plans are to hire a private investigator to find Cloud, according to Ho-Chunk Police Chief Earl Lemieux.

"The next major step in attempting to locate Gene Cloud Jr. is to hire a private investigator," Lemieux said. "It gives us a sense of hope to be able to do something to further the search."

Lemieux took the missing persons report about a year ago when he worked with the Jackson County Sheriff's Department.

"We're actively in the process of enacting the procedures for missing enrolled Ho-Chunk members from the Tribal Enrollment and Membership Code," Lemieux said.

According to the procedures approved by the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature, the Office of Tribal Enrollment will engage and pay for a private investigator if the request for a missing person investigation comes from an immediate family member, that the family member has contact local law enforcement and filled out a report, local law enforcement has been unable to find the missing person, a letter from local law enforcement states that it has been unable to find the missing person, and the family member has contacted the Wisconsin Clearinghouse For Missing and Exploited Children and Adults.

There aren't any new leads in the investigation and the case has essentially gone cold, according to Jackson County Sheriff's Department Detective Kelly Bakken.

Cloud ran from a Jackson County deputy near Millston on Jan. 25, 2012, and has been classified as a missing person ever since.

According to Bakken, a sheriff's deputy was on patrol the morning of Jan. 25 when he came upon a car in

the ditch at 7:05 a.m. along County Road O about a quarter mile from Sportsman Road.

The deputy inquired if everything was alright, to which Cloud replied that he was okay. The deputy offered to give Cloud a ride, to which Cloud accepted. Cloud went back to the car and was moving things around the car and the deputy thought he was retrieving things to bring with him. Cloud then exited the vehicle and began running into the woods.

The deputy went to the edge of the woods, but did not follow him. Running the license plate on the car, the deputy found that it was registered to Yvonne Snake. At the time, the deputy still had not known the identity of Cloud.

"There was no reason for him to run," Bakken said. "He had a misdemeanor or some minor offense against him, but nothing major that should cause him to run. The deputy was just trying to help him."

While the deputy was at the scene, a driver approached him and reported that someone with a backpack was trying to hitch a ride a short distance down the road. When the deputy went to investigate, he couldn't find the person.

Deputies questioned the registered owner of the car, Yvonne Snake, and found that her sister's boyfriend, Gene Cloud Jr., had been using the car. Snake's sister is Rochelle Mann. This was the first time that deputies had learned the possible identity of the driver.

On Jan. 27, Janet Muir came to the Sheriff's Department office to file a missing persons report, however, Muir was not considered a relative and she couldn't provide a lot of information. She said there had not had contact with Cloud since before Jan. 25.

Deputies had formed a search party in the Millston area at the location the car had entered the ditch. A K-9 unit was present to follow the trail

left by Cloud. The dog had followed the tracks through the woods and along the shoulder of the road. At one point, the dog couldn't follow the trail because apparently the scent was gone. Deputies assumed Cloud had been given a ride at that point.

All of the cabins in the Millston area were checked and none were reported as broken into.

Upon investigation, it was learned that Cloud was living both with his girlfriend in the Tomah area and his mother in the Wisconsin Dells area. In speaking with Mann, his girlfriend, she stated that she had not seen him since before Jan. 25.

On Jan. 28, Cloud's mother, Simone (Cloud) Zane, filled out a missing persons report. That report then was posted with the National Crime Intelligence Service (NCIS), which allowed a nationwide audience. If law enforcement had run Cloud's information anywhere in the country, the report would have indicated that he was considered a missing person.

Upon further investigation it was learned that Cloud had been at a party during the evening of Jan. 24 and morning hours of Jan. 25. According to witnesses, Cloud left the party intoxicated at about 5 a.m. with a small brown dog.

On Jan. 30, investigators talked again with Rochelle Mann. She said that she believed Cloud only had \$20 on him and that he didn't have a checking account or a credit card. She also said the small dog with him was a dachshund. It was speculated that the dog had been stowed in the backpack Cloud had been wearing. Deputies tried tracing Cloud's cell phone, but eventually found that it was still in the car that had been towed from the ditch.

The Jackson County Animal Shelter was contacted and no dog like what was described had been reported or turned in to the shelter.

Ho-Chunk Police Chief Libke



Gene J. Cloud Jr.

attempted to follow a financial trail, however, he found that Cloud had not been receiving per Capita payments and that he had no bank account.

Missing person posters were made and placed all over the state, plus Minnesota since he reportedly had family in that state. Many posters were placed in the Millston area, since that is where he was last seen.

Several tips and possible sightings had been made in the Black River Falls area, in Wood County, in the Chetek area and in the Turtle Lake area, but none were proven as factual.

Friends and relatives of Cloud are still concerned for his welfare and are hoping that information will surface soon about his condition. They have stated that Cloud always maintained contact with his friends and relatives through texting or Facebook and, if he is alive, that he normally would have attempted to contact someone.

If anyone has information on the whereabouts of Gene J. Cloud Jr., he or she should contact the Jackson County Sheriff's Department at (715) 284-5357.

Help save a life

Submitted by Louise Voss, Community Health Educator, Ho-Chunk Department of Health

I would like to thank everyone who came out for the blood drive in January. We were able to collect over 18 units of blood which the American Red



Cross can use to help save lives. The Ho-Chunk Nation Executive Building host blood drives two or three times per year and we are always proud of the number of people who turn out to donate. The next scheduled blood drive will be on Thursday June 27th from 11:00 to 3:00 make sure to mark it in your calendars and stop by to donate. Thank you.

SUMMONS

(Second Publication)

IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT

Joyce Lynn Ehlke, Petitioner, v. Ronald James Behrens, Respondent.

Case : CS 12-88

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT: Ronald James Behrens

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SUMMONS

(Second Publication)

IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT

Michael G. Braun, Petitioner, v. Racheal E. Braun, Respondent.

Case : CS 13-01

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT: Racheal E. Braun

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IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT

Luther L. Laster, Petitioner, v. Brooke A. Metoxen-Smith, Respondent.

Case : CS 12-87

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT: Brooke A. Metoxen-Smith

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Angela Smith elected president of AIAA

Ken Luchterhand
Staff Writer

Angela Smith of the Ho-Chunk Nation Social Services, has been elected to a statewide leadership position.

Smith was elected as president of the American Indians Against Abuse (AIAA) at the organization's Jan. 26 meeting.

"I have big shoes to fill," she said. "But it is something I enjoy."

Her role with the AIAA is directly tied in with her duties in her job as a domestic abuse advocate, she said.

"Being a domestic abuse survivor, I have the passion to help victims of domestic

abuse and sexual assault," she said.

Smith grew up in the Alma Center area and graduated from Lincoln High School in Alma Center.

She is married to Joel Smith and the couple has four children. Matthew Klevgard, Ashley Walton, Dakota Walton-Smith and Joel Smith Jr. They also have one grandson, Cooper Walton.

Smith is a domestic abuse advocate with Ho-Chunk Nation Social Services, having worked in that position since August 2011. She's a member of the Jackson County Domestic Violence

Court, the Jackson County Community Crisis Rescue Team (CCRT), and many area support groups.

To further her education, Smith is attending classes to earn a degree in criminal justice.

Her hobbies include camping, riding her Harley-Davidson, hunting and fishing, trap shooting, listening to classical, classic rock and 80s music, spending time with family and friends, doodling and drawing, traveling, bargain shopping, and as a person who loves animals.

Smith believes her

experience "on the front lines" will help her in making decisions on an administrative level, since she knows what the demands of the job are.

Another challenge to her new job is establishing Robert's Rules of Order in the meeting structure. She wishes to keep meetings disciplined and orderly, and work with time limits set for the meetings.

Overall, she is very happy to take on the additional role. She said she believes in the mission of domestic abuse protection and she works diligently to help the people in need.



Angela Smith, president of the American Indians Against Abuse.

Aging and Disability specialist begins

Submitted by Faith Rubin

I wanted to take this opportunity to introduce myself and tell you what I plan to do for the nation and its people. In June, was hired by the Nation as the Ho-Chunk Nation's Aging and Disabilities Resource Specialist (ADRS) of the Northern Region.

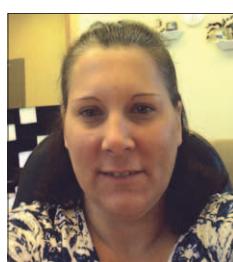
I cover the northern half of the state; from Nekoosa all the way up to the Bayfield and Douglas County areas. My main office is located at the TAU in Wittenberg, but I also travel to Nekoosa once a week and will travel to consumer's homes in my area is necessary.

The main population of people that I will be dealing with is the Nation's elders. But, I will also be serving Ho-Chunk adults with physical disabilities as well as Ho-Chunk youths who are transitioning into the long term care system.

The Tribal Aging and Disability Resource Specialist helps members to receive culturally appropriate information on aging and disability services and information on publicly-funded, long-term care programs such as Family Care, Cops Waiver program, Partnership and IRIS. I also work at ensuring that tribal

members and their families know about their area ADRC. I help them to find out what services are available for them. I will aide in gathering the necessary information to help determine a person's eligibility for public benefits or long term care services in their community, as well as through the Tribe. My main goal as an ADRS is in advocating for tribal members who are using the ADRC and ensure that they are introduced to the area services that they are entitled to.

Some of my main responsibilities, as your ADRS are outreach and marketing, and information



Faith Rubin

informed choice on long term care. I can help consumers gain access to various governmental programs such as SSI, SSD, Medicaid, and food share. I can provide access to elder/adults at risk protective services and can ensure that the client is connected with help for.

If anyone has any questions or you know someone who may benefit from any of these services, I am available from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday thru Friday I can be reached at the TAU-Wittenberg at (715)253-3536 or on my cellphone at (608)343-1433. I look forward to hearing from you soon. Pinagigi!

vote **Forrest Funmaker, M.Ed**
District 1, Seat 1 Legislator
March 5th, 2013

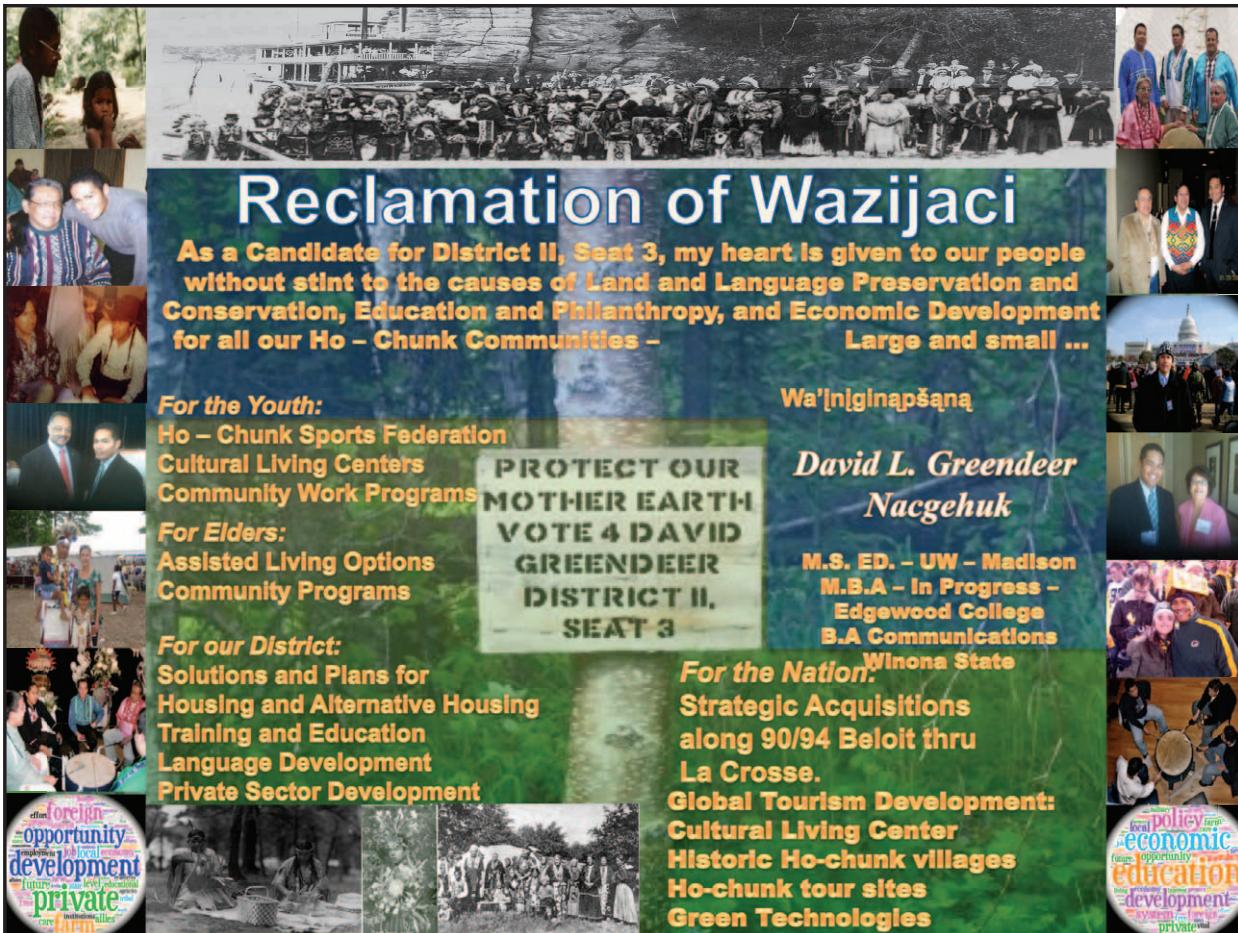
BRINGING TRUST AND HONESTY BACK TO THE LEGISLATURE

- Revise ERA and Personnel Department to meet current and future needs of Nation.
- Institute TQM and Talent Management with Ho-Chunk focus.
- Evaluate and amend old legislation.
- Analyze current business development ventures and contracts with watchdog legislation.
- Provide fiscal transparency to all members.
- Attack Public Law 280 Legislation and pursue Nation to Nation Sovereignty

Dear District 1:

Honesty with your people is the number one rule. There should be no doubt about the seriousness of the looming financial situations that will face our tribe and our businesses over the next two years. We need someone who can research and analyze financial information with experience and competency to protect us from bad investments and bad management of our resources. We need to take on the corruption before it happens again.

Forrest Funmaker
Email: ffunamaker@hotmail.com
Phone: (715) 299 -0464



Elect Patrick C. Red Eagle

Father: LaVern Red Eagle
Grandparents: George and Blanche Decorah Red Eagle

I attended Haskell Indian Junior College (presently Haskell Indian Nations University) and earned an Associate Degree in Accounting. Employed in the following areas: payroll, bookkeeping, inventory control and management.

At Little Six Bingo (presently Mystic Lake Casino) I have held the following positions: Office Manager; Concessions Supervisor, Assistant Manager and

In Minneapolis I have been employed working with native youth in the Minneapolis Public Schools as a School/Community Social Worker Aide. I have also been on staff at the United Indians Group Home and Ain Dah Yung Shelter in St. Paul.

Spent 19 years employed as an Operating Engineer as a member of the International Union of Operating Engineers.

Prior to becoming a HCN Legislator I was affiliated with Primerica Financial Services as a Personal Financial Analyst.

Priorities as District 5 Legislator:

- * Support education programs
- * Support cultural preservation
- * Separation of Government and Business
- * Diversification to increase profits
- * Support Ho-Chunk preference
- * Fiscal responsibility and accountability
- * Maintain per capita

VOTE HENNING GARVIN

DISTRICT 2 LEGISLATOR SEAT 2



- SUPPORT ALL EFFORTS TO RECLAIM OUR LANGUAGE AND MAINTAIN OUR WAYS OF LIFE
- LEGISLATION AND COLLABORATION TO IDENTIFY TRUE NEEDS OF THE PEOPLE
- RESPONSIBLE ECONOMIC DIVERSIFICATION STRATEGIES, INCLUDING ATTRACTING OUTSIDE INVESTMENT AND SUPPORT FOR TRIBAL MEMBER ENTREPRENEURS
- IDENTIFY AND ELIMINATE BARRIERS TO EMPLOYMENT AND CREATE A MORE ROBUST WORK FORCE
- INVESTMENT IN THE EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF TRIBAL YOUTH
- ENSURE HOUSING AND NUTRITIONAL NEEDS OF TRIBAL MEMBERS ARE BEING MET

I BELIEVE THE GOVERNMENT EXISTS TO PROTECT AND PROVIDE FOR THE SHARED WELL BEING AND PROSPERITY OF ITS CITIZENS

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT MY PLATFORM, PLEASE EMAIL ME AT
GARVINFORDISTRICT2@GMAIL.COM

Roberta Decorah “Manak suc Jeiga” District II, Seat III



Elect a Servant Leader on March 5th!

- Twenty years of service working in the Ho-Chunk Communities.
- Believes in the 3R's of Respect, Responsibility, and Resiliency.
- Sincere desire to serve you with Respect and Honor.
- Believes in perpetuating our Hocak Language, Culture, and Teaching with emphasis on Hocak values.
- Continuing the journey of separating Business from Government.
- Building the “Ki Jire Nagu” Healing Center for the sake of the people.
- Building partnerships to enhance future endeavors.
- Leveraging of tribal dollars.
- In support of expanding and improving our current gaming operations.
- In support of improving health care for Wak Sik Xete and disabled tribal members.
- In support of improving educational opportunities for tribal members.
- In support of adequately addressing housing needs for all tribal members.
- Will work towards comprehensive planning in all efforts on behalf of tribal members.

I have a sincere desire to address the needs of our Ho-Chunk People. I, ask you PLEASE VOTE for a SERVANT LEADER. We have many issues that need to be addressed for all tribal members.

HEALTH BENEFITS PROGRAM

Overwhelmed! Confused! Concerned!

Stop in and see us at either Ho-Chunk Health Care Center or House of Wellness. We assist Ho-Chunk members and other Native American enrolled members. You may be eligible for the following programs:

- Medicaid Program
- BadgerCare Programs
- Wisconsin Well Woman's Program
- Disability
- Social Security Program
- Express Enrollment-Pregnancy
- BadgerCare Plus Core Plan for Childless Adults-Waitlist

Joyce Rockman

Health Benefits Specialist @ Ext: 5065
Sandy Lanier

Health Benefits Advocate @ Ext: 5318
Ho-Chunk Health Care Center
N6520 Guy Rd
Black River Falls, WI 54615
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Email: Joyce.Rockman@ho-chunk.com
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Position to be filled at HOW

Health Benefits Advocate @ Ext: 5546

Position to be filled at HOW

Health Benefits Advocate @ Ext: 5525

House of Wellness

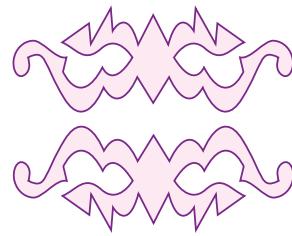
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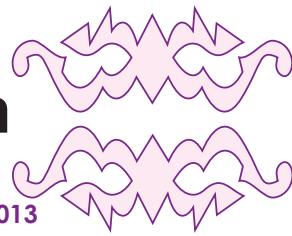
Cynthia.Tack@ho-chunk.com



VOTE

Rhonda Anderson

"Hakjaguwiga"



Ho-Chunk Nation | District 1 Seat 3 | March 5, 2013

I am seeking your support in the March 5th Primary Election for District 1 Legislator. The core values of the Ho-Chunk life were instilled in me by my grandparents (Ben and Imogene Winneshiek) and living in the community for the majority of my life. Along with the experience of my traditional upbringing I have a lot to contribute with my education and experience in gaming and the Executive branch as the Executive Administrative Officer. While working in the Office of the President I have had the privilege to sit in nearly every Legislative meeting for the past year and a half, therefore I am aware of how critical it is for the Executive and Legislative branches to work together. I am willing to listen to our area's concerns and address them with the full Legislature. And through all of this, I would like to move forward and strengthen this great Nation to preserve and protect our Ho-Chunk way of life.

Education and Experience:

- Bachelor Degree in Business Administration-double major in Marketing and Human Resource Management
- Benefits Specialist-HCN Insurance Department
- ERA Coordinator-HCN Personnel Department
- ERA Compliance Officer-HCN Personnel Department
- Marketing Director-Ho-Chunk Gaming-Black River Falls
- Executive Administrative Officer-Office of the President



Priorities:

- Expand current gaming and diversify business
- Fiscal responsibility
- Improve Ho-Chunk Nation services for elders and youth
- See that plans continue moving forward on the District One Community Center
- Ho-Chunk Preference - when Ho-Chunks are qualified they should be hired
- Restructure housing program to meet the needs of members
- Keep tribal members informed by providing updates
- Separation of business from government

Join me on Wednesday, February 27th from 6-8pm at the District One Community Center to eat and voice your concerns.

Wilfred Cleveland - "It is good to see young tribal members interested in our Government. I am in support of Rhonda Anderson as Legislator for District 1. She is familiar with our needs in all of our communities by living the part within our communities. She made the effort to get an education and returned to help our people."

Chief Clayton Winneshiek - "I am supporting my Cuzunk because she was raised in a good way with the Ho-Chunk beliefs instilled in her by her grandparents and family. Her experience in Gaming and in the President's office has made her aware of issues within the tribe."

VOTE on March 5th

District 1 Seat 3

for **Marlon WhiteEagle**

Maxi Ska Hanazi ga (Standing on a White Cloud)

"District 1 deserves a leader who will cast a vote and not abstain. The district also needs someone who understands and demonstrates the Ho-Chunk teaching to love one another. When leaders fail to recognize and respect that tribal members come from all walks of life, they weaken representation. I will provide a true voice and representation to all tribal members of District 1."

- U.S. Marine Corps Veteran
- Liberal Arts degree
- 15+ years w/Ho-Chunk Nation

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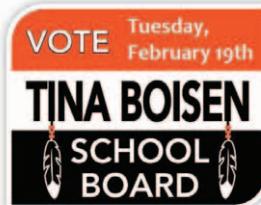
Tina Boisen

Your Voice

BRF School Board



PAID FOR AND AUTHORIZED BY TINA BOISEN



As your incumbent Black River Falls School Board member,

I will continue advocating for our students through:

- ✓ Transparency in communication to strengthen community relations.
- ✓ Improving student achievements through co-curriculars
- ✓ Empowering educators.

VOTE: Tuesday, February 19th Polls are open 7am-8pm



VOTE MARCH 5TH WRITE-IN CANDIDATE DISTRICT 3 SEAT 2

JOSHUA F. SMITH

I HAVE BEEN A RESIDENT OF THE WISCONSIN RAPIDS AREA FOR MY ENTIRE LIFE. I BELIEVE IT IS TIME FOR OUR DISTRICT TO HAVE A VOICE AND A CANDIDATE THAT FOLLOWS THRU ON ALL OF THE ISSUES THAT CONTINUE TO IMPACT OUR TRIBAL MEMBERS. I AM CURRENTLY SERVING OUR PEOPLE AS THE T.E.R.O. (TRIBAL EMPLOYMENT RIGHTS ORDINANCE) INVESTIGATOR FOR THE HO-CHUNK NATION, AND THROUGH MY WORK WITH TERO, I HAVE BEEN STRIVING DILIGENTLY TO IMPROVE AND CREATE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL MEMBERS. IF I AM ELECTED TO REPRESENT DISTRICT 3 I WILL CONTINUE MY EFFORTS TO ENSURE OPPORTUNITIES FOR EVERY TRIBAL MEMBER THAT IS SEEKING EMPLOYMENT. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE DON'T HESITATE TO CONTACT ME DIRECTLY, MY PHONE NUMBER IS 715-451-9919. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND YOUR SUPPORT

Looking into the needs of the Ho-Chunk Nation District 1 members, these key points came to the forefront. If elected to the Legislative body, these issues that make up my platform will be addressed in the four years that I will be in office.

Elder Reform: We need to overhaul how we take care of our elders to provide the best healthcare, homes, and incentives that give our elders the best opportunity to enjoy life. They paved the way for us. Let's do the best we can to show we appreciate their hard work.

Veterans: Work to ensure their needs are met. With new ones coming home, there are new issues to become aware of and address for those with needs.

Language & Culture: Invest more into this program, so more can be involved. We are making positive steps towards the health of our culture, but we need to ensure we don't lose any momentum.

Facilities: Ensuring that all of the Ho-Chunk Nation facilities are maintained and represent the Nation well. Also ensure that facilities such as those for youth, health and mental health and addiction facilities are made available.

Incentives: We need to reward performance. I propose incentives for college degrees, for learning language and for participating in extracurricular activities.

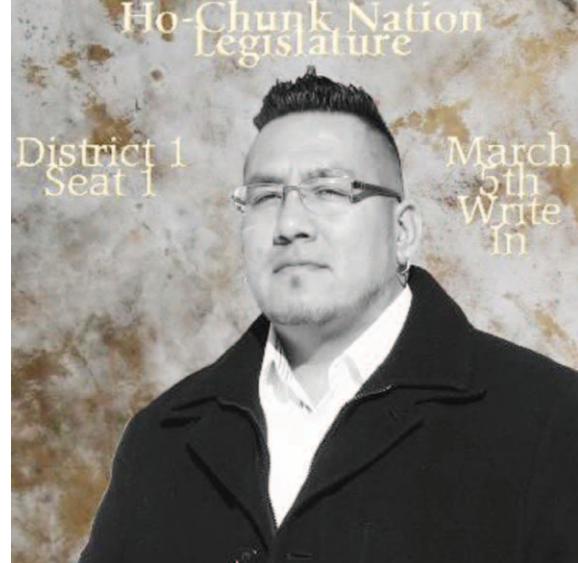
Diversification: Research, present, invest, grow. Let's not depend on gaming.

Ho-Chunk Preference: We need to look into this more, to get our own working. There are a lot of members that want to work and can't get jobs vs. those getting jobs and not keeping them. Analysis is needed and abuse of this policy will be addressed.

Communication: Feel free to call me, text me, email, stop by the office. Communication is paramount between government and our members. We are a small group, this is very possible.

Powwows: Will work to address budgets, and set standards that are understandable and fair to the people we trust to run these events. Also to gain a clear understanding of what the general public wants to see from our powwows, so everyone can enjoy this "social" event. Working to bring back the prestige and respect of the events we provide to the community.

I am very much looking forward to make a positive change in government, on behalf of the members of District 1. Write me in District 1, Seat 1 and let's start making changes for the better. I appreciate your consideration and looking forward to serving every member from youngest to oldest. Every member matters.



*Thank you,
Lance Blackdeer*

Legislative Trip Report

Submitted by
Rep. Greg Littlejohn
I attended the 57th Presidential Inaugural Ceremony from Thursday, January 17th through Tuesday, January 22nd. It was my first Presidential Inaugural event ever. It will forever be etched in my memory book! It was a very busy week and there were many events that I attended during the week. I attended most of the 12th annual American Indian Inaugural festivities. The Reception that kicked off the week was on Friday, January 18th.

On Saturday, January 19th there was the Pow Wow that was sponsored by the American Indian Society of Washington, DC. I have submitted three (3) pictures

from that memorable event. They include pictures of me and the Head Dancer, Mr. Boya Ladd, a decorated Ho-Chunk Nation Vietnam War Veteran. I had a picture of me and the Emcee for the 2013 Lifetime Legacy Awards, the honorable "Apesanahkwat", a decorated Vietnam War Veteran from the Menominee Tribe. I had a picture of me and Chairman Tex Hall of the Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara Nation who was the "Honorable Chairman" of the Sunday, January 20th American Indian Inaugural Ball. Chairman Hall and I competed against each other "many moons ago", at various National American Indian Basketball Tournaments. So, this was a reunion of sorts for him and I.

Lastly, I submitted a picture of the President Barack Obama and the First Lady Michelle Obama during the Monday, January 21st Inaugural Parade. I was seated on the parade route no less than 20 yards away from them! They walked right past me and I truly believe that Michelle smiled and winked at me!

In conclusion, I truly enjoyed the 57th Presidential Inauguration festivities and all of the exciting activities and discussions that I had with many of the attendees. This was a very memorable event that will stay in my memory book forever! Thanks to the Ho-Chunk Nation for allowing me to attend this monumental event on behalf of the Nation.



President Barack Obama and the First Lady Michelle Obama during the Inaugural Parade.



Vote March 5th for Gregory A. Littlejohn Ho-Chunk Nation Legislator, District 5-Seat 3

Greg is a proven leader, a hard worker and a person that will always put forth that extra effort to safeguard the Ho-Chunk Nation's best interest.

Experience:

Ho-Chunk Nation Legislator for District 5
Personnel Coordinator for the City of Minneapolis-Civil Service Commission
Licensed insurance agent in all lines of insurance for over thirty-two (32) years
Goals and Objectives as the people's elected representative:
Continued commitment to excellence
Maximize our enterprises profitability
Maintain and sustain your per capita payments
Diversify our current profit centers by supporting the separation of business from government



Please offer your continued support of Greg in the March 5th tribal election. Greg will proudly serve you with honor and integrity.

**Vote March 5th for Gregory A. Littlejohn,
District 5 Legislator – Seat 3**

Pinagigi



ELECT Sherman Funmaker for District II Legislator

Dear Tribal Member,

After much thought and dialogue with family and friends, I have decided to run for an upcoming District Two Legislative seat. As a concerned tribal member who was born and raised in Wisconsin, I have seen our tribal government in action for many years and have seen the good that can be accomplished, when we work together.

I am seeking this position because I feel I have gained the trust of those that have come to know me and am able to act as a responsible ally and representative.

We are at a place in our history where difficult decisions and thoughtful discussions need to take place. Issues like better jobs, job training, adequate housing, improved services, diabetes, health issues and many other concerns that affect all of our well-being need to be discussed and acted upon. I believe we should look into using media and technology to further our learning, teaching and training capabilities to be able to keep up with growing trends.

Our language is also so very important and we need more ways to make sure it will never die. Possibly using the internet to set up a learning station that is easily accessible to members that will allow us to learn at our own pace and time.

Our needs are great and although we are a blessed people, and we should never forget that, in order for future generations to flourish we need to band together and work as one Nation to do all that is in our power to keep our language, our culture and our history one that we will continue to be proud of.

As a Nation working toward our goals, together we will always be more powerful than any division, separations and disagreements that may keep us from accomplishing what is good for all.

Yes, there are many concerns with our people and those issues are ones that affect all of us. I will look to our leaders, elders and tribal members to guide, direct and influence the decisions that need to be made. I will work hard to keep this promise to you. My door will always be open to those with issues to discuss.

While we know not what tomorrow holds, we do know that what can be done today to remedy any issues that will define us as a people... today and forever.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Let your voice be heard.

Sincerely yours,
Sherman Funmaker

shermanfunmaker@yahoo.com • (608) 408-9652
University of Wisconsin-Baraboo 2006 Graduate • University of New Mexico 2007 Media Arts



VOTE

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ELECT

**Kathyleen 'Kathy'
Lone Tree-Whiterabbit
For
District 5 Legislator - Seat 1**

- Dedication to the Ho-Chunk Nation
- Experience - Former 3 Term Legislator
- Commitment and Loyalty
- Compassionate Leadership
- Common Sense Approach and Responsibility
- Proven Outspoken Advocate for Elders, Youth & Higher Education
- Sustain Per Capita Level-Work Hard to Increase NPD
- Diversify Business Interests

"My heart is with the Ho-Chunk Nation and to
humbly serve the People of the Big Voice."

Personal

Parents: Samuel Lone Tree and Ann (Littlejohn) Lone Tree
 Marriage: 24 years to Forrest Whiterabbit
 Family: Son, Forrest WhiteRabbit, Jr. (CU-Boulder Student)
 Bear Clan 'Haapajaiga' (Comes the Dawn)
 Permanent Resident: Denver, Colorado (own my home)
 Member: Washington Park United Church of Christ, Denver, CO
 Proud to be a Baby Boomer!

Please VOTE !!!

General Primary Election on Tuesday, March 5, 2013
 Last Day to Request Absentee Ballots-Friday, March 1, 2013 at 4 p.m.
 HCN Election Board 800.890.0583 Fax 715.284.8600

Please contact me with your concerns and questions and 'pinagigi'
 for your support! k.whiterabbit@yahoo.com hm 303.744.0060 cell
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WRITE-IN

Melanie Stacy
 For
Supreme Court Associate Justice

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- Integrity (honest & truthful)
- Ethical (fair & just)
- Healthy lifestyle

I encourage all eligible voters to exercise your Constitutional right to vote in the Primary Election on March 5, 2013.

NOTICE

WHAT: Ho-Chunk Nation Tribal Aging Unit
 Elderly Advisory Board vacancies.

WHERE: Area 3 Nekoosa

WHEN: February 21, 2013

WHY: Term expired

HOW: Contact Nekoosa Tribal Aging Unit office at 1-715-886-5199 for information.

According to Ho-Chunk Nation T.A.U.

Establishment Act, the new members will be selected by the elders from their respective area.



HO-CHUNK NATION
Higher Education

April 2013 District Meetings

Staff will provide information on
Higher Education programs

Baraboo	Madison	Tomah
Black River Falls	Milwaukee	WI Dells
Green Bay	Minneapolis/St. Paul	WI Rapids
La Crosse		

For more information, contact:
(800) 362-4476 or higher.education@ho-chunk.com

*Wittenberg and Chicago will be visited in May 2013



MARCH MADNESS 2013
Wisconsin's Premier
All-Native
Basketball Tournament

March 1, 2 & 3
2013

Men's
1st- \$10,000
2nd- \$6,000
3rd- \$3,000
4th- \$1,500

Women's
1st- \$7,000
2nd- \$5,000
3rd- \$3,000

16 Men's Teams
12 Women's Teams
Double Elimination

Entry Fee: Early Bird thru 2/17/13 Men's \$600 Women's \$400 **After Feb. 18 Men's \$750 Women's \$550
Payment in Full, Cashier's Check or Money Order - No refunds or Team/Money Transfers
All Tournament Players 18 & older, out of High School & proof of tribal enrollment with photo ID

Friday Special Events
Nelson Funmaker 3-pt Shootout
\$250 - \$150 - \$50
Kumu Yazzie Slam Dunk Contest
\$250 - \$150 - \$50

Lil' Hoopsters Saturday Noon-1 PM
Registration @ 11am - Limited to 80
March Madness Tournament Admission
Adults 18-59 \$10/wkend or \$5/day
Children 17 & under & Seniors 60+ FREE

March Madness Hotline 1-888-560-4616 Ext. 5602
Go to www.ho-chunknation.com for Registration & Roster Forms
 www.facebook.com/ho-chunkHOW

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Notice of Monthly Meeting

HHCDA

Ho-Chunk Housing & Community Development Agency
(HUD Housing)

Thursday, February 28th, 2013
6:00 PM

At the HHCDA Office in Tomah (Corner of Monowau Street & Sime Avenue)
Agenda items by February 21st to the Board Secretary at 608-374-1245, extension 222.

HHCDA Commissioners: Lee Brown Jr., Amos Kingsley, Colin Carrimon, Francis Decorah, Martin Littlewolf Jr., Leonard Walker, Gerald Cleveland, Terrence Johnson, Cheri Byhre, Lisa Stroessner, and John Dall



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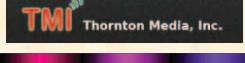


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Mauson, WI 53948
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Happy 18th Birthday

Anastacia King

"Cookie Girl"

turned 18 on February 7

From Daddy Tom and Mother Tina King,
all the Cokas and Gagas, and the rest of the family.



WOMEN SUPPORTING WOMEN



MEETING MONTHLY

Are you interested in speaking your mind, meeting new friends, and learning helpful life skills? Please join us for a free, non-judgmental support group open to women of all ages, backgrounds, and beliefs. We are committed to empowerment, self-growth.

EMBRACE BEING A WOMAN

For meeting information in your area contact one of the facilitators below

Contact: Heather Kingslien (608)780-1399 hmkinglien@yahoo.com

Angela Smith (715) 284-2622 ext. 5135 angela.smith@ho-chunk.com

Julia Periske (608) 445-3111 JuliaPeriske@charter.net

Jan Red Cloud Jan.Red.Cloud@yahoo.com

Suggested Topics

- Healthy Relationships
- Emotion Management
- Fitness & Nutrition
- Spirituality
- Women's Health
- Simplicity
- Mindfulness
- Parenting



Strength in unity



Sponsored by: the Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Social Services
Domestic Violence Program

715-284-2622
Wehul Helgesen ext. 5176

FAMILY ZUMBA AT MARLEY'S

DANCE AND HELP OUR CHILDREN SAVE CHILDREN.

Zumba Hambokahi

Yakicga Hajawi



Help us provide relief and support for the Hurricane Sandy Children in Emergency Fund affected by Hurricane Sandy.

Our Family Zumba Night will raise money for SaveTheChildren.org

MARCH FAMILY NIGHT

SATURDAY MARCH 30, 2013 FROM

10am-2pm



Ho-Chunk Nation Constitution Reform Task Force (HCRTF)

Public Forums for 2013

Feb 9

•LaCrosse - Three Rivers House

•724 Main St

Mar 2

•Green Bay Branch Office

• 1047 9th st

Mar 23

•Wis Dells - Indian Height Branch Office

•Dyer St.

April 6

•Tomah - Blue Wing Branch Office

April 27

•Madison Branch Office

May 11

•Regular HCRTF Meeting - Ho-Chunk Casino - Baraboo, WI

Journey Forward

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

Every 3rd Thursday of the month.

February 21st

5 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Tribal Aging Unit

Indian Mission-BRF

Questions Call Louise Voss at 284-9851



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NOTICE AND RULES OF GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2013



Notice is hereby served to all eligible voters of the Ho-Chunk Nation that the Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board, in accordance with the Constitution of the Ho-Chunk Nation has called a General Primary Election. **ARTICLE VIII – ELECTIONS** and the Election Ordinance 2 HCC Sec. 6, states in relevant part:

3. Elections, c. Primary Election and Runoff Elections.

(1) Primary Elections shall be held prior to an Election in order to ensure compliance with the majority vote requirement as provided for in paragraphs 1c and 1e, above.

(2) If no candidate in any Primary Election receives more than 50% of the votes cast in such Election, the two candidates with the highest vote totals from the Primary Election (and any candidates) tied with the lower of such totals) shall appear on the ballot in the Runoff Election. When there are two (2) seats vacant in a district, the top two (2) vote getters for any vacant seats, if no candidate has received 50% + 1 vote, shall be on the ballot for the General Election or Runoff Election.

(3) Primary Elections shall be conducted in the manner prescribed by this Ordinance and in accordance with the timetable adopted by the Election Board.

LEGISLATURE

**District 1:
Seat 1**

**Gregory Blackdeer
Forrest Funmaker
Jon Pettibone**

Seat 3

**Rhonda Winneshiek-
Anderson
Douglas G. Greengrass
Marlon White Eagle
Algie A. Wolters "Augie"**

July 2013 – June 2017

**District 2:
Seat 2**

**Sherman Funmaker
Henning Garvin
James Greendeer
Paul M. Krause
Michael Sallaway**

Seat 3

**Roberta M. Decorah
Robert Louis Funmaker, Jr.
David L. Greendeer**

July 2013 – June 2017

**District 3:
Seat 2**

**Darren Brinegar
Gregory Greendeer
Kimberly Waukau**

July 2013 – June 2017

**District 5:
At-Large**

Seat 1

**Robert V. Two Bears
Kathyleen Vidette Lonetree-
Whiterabbit**

Seat 3

**Gregory A. Littlejohn
Seat 4**

**Matt Mullen
Patrick Red Eagle**

July 2013 – June 2017

SUPREME COURT

Chief Justice

**Six (6) Year Term
Mary Jo Brooks Hunter**

July 2013 – June 2019

Associate Justice 1

**Four (4) Year Term
Dr. Jeremy Patrick
Rockman, EDD**

July 2013 – June 2017

ELIGIBLE VOTERS:

Any enrolled member of the Ho-Chunk Nation who is at least eighteen (18) years old and who has resided in their respective district for at least three (3) months. *See Election Board Ordinance Sec. 9 (6).*

REGISTRATION:

Each person seeking to vote must register at the polling place. If a person cannot write, that person must sign his/her name with a mark before two (2) witnesses. A Ho-Chunk translator will be available to assist any tribal member who requests assistance.

ELIGIBILITY DISPUTES:

Any individual whose name does not appear on the eligible voters list can claim the right to vote by presenting a written challenge to the Election Board. Any eligible voter may challenge the eligibility of an individual's name appearing on the eligible voters list by presenting a written challenge to the Election Board.

The Election Board shall rule on all written challenges to the list of eligible voters immediately after the close of the challenge period. Page 20 Section 2, (Deadline, Wednesday, February 13, 2013).

Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board
206 South Roosevelt Road
P.O Box 756
Black River Falls, WI 54615
TELEPHONE (715)284-8900
TOLL FREE (800)890-0583
FAX NUMBER(715)284-8600
E-MAIL:
Election.board@ho-chunk.com

Deadline to challenge the candidates (s) list to Election Board is Wednesday, February 13, 2013 @ 4:30 p.m

ABSENTEE VOTING:

A voter may vote by absentee ballot provided the Election Board receives the absentee ballot request in writing no later than Friday, March 1, 2013 by 4:00 P.M. *See Election Board Ordinance, Page 13, sec. 11 a(1)* Requests MUST INCLUDE the eligible voter's name printed or typed (with signature), physical address where the ballot will be delivered (we use UPS Next Day Air – UPS Next Day Air will not deliver to a P.O. Box), daytime telephone number and enrollment number.

Please check eligible voter's lists for your Districts. District 5 all areas outside the state of Wisconsin



Absentee Ballots must be received before 7:00 P.M. on Tuesday, March 5, 2013.

Absentee ballots may be returned by overnight mail, so they may be received at the Election Board Office or the polling places prior to the Election Day. **NOTE THAT FEDEX AND UPS NEXT DAY AIR DOES NOT DELIVER IN BLACK RIVER FALLS ON SATURDAYS.**

POSTING ELECTION RESULTS:

The Election Board shall certify and post the official election results within three (3) days after the date of election.

CONTESTING OF ELECTION RESULTS:

Any member of the Ho-Chunk Nation may challenge the results of any election results within ten (10) days after the Election Board certifies the results. The Trial Court shall hear and decide a challenge to any election within twenty (20) days after the challenge is filed in the Trial Court.

ELECTIONEERING:

There shall be no electioneering within fifty (50) feet of any polling places.

GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION DAY
Tuesday, March 5, 2013

POST NOTICE OF ELECTION
Monday, December 10, 2012

POST ELIGIBLE VOTERS LIST
Sunday, February 3, 2013

CHALLENGES TO THE ELIGIBLE VOTERS LIST MUST BE RECEIVED PRIOR TO 4:30 PM
Wednesday, February 13, 2013

LAST DAY TO REQUEST ABSENTEE BALLOTS
Friday, March 1, 2013 @ 4:00 PM

GENERAL ELECTION
Tuesday, June 4, 2013

POLLING PLACES:

OPEN AT 8:00 A.M AND CLOSE AT 7:00 P.M.

•BLACK RIVER FALLS, WI
HHCDA
INDIAN MISSION
715/284-8900

•TOMAH, WI
TRIBAL AGING UNIT
358 EOS ROAD
608/372-4547

•LACROSSE, WI
LACROSSE BRANCH OFFICE
724 MAIN STREET
608/783-6025

•BARABOO, WI
HOUSE OF WELLNESS
S2845 WHITEEAGLE ROAD
608/355-1254

•WISCONSIN RAPIDS, WI
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BLD.
916 CHAK-HAH-CHEE LANE
715/886-5444

•WITTENBERG, WI
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W17956 WITT-BIRN
TOWNLINE ROAD
715/253-3536

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CHICAGO BRANCH OFFICE
5744 W IRVING PARK RD
773/202-8433

•MILWAUKEE, WI
MILWAUKEE BRANCH
OFFICE
3501 S. HOWELL AVENUE
414/747-8680

•ST PAUL/MINNEAPOLIS, MN
MPLS/ST PAUL BRANCH
OFFICE
1821 UNIVERSITY AVE.
Suite 409 N
651/641-1801

•MADISON, WI
MADISON BRANCH OFFICE
1320 MENOMA STREET
608/277-9741
608/277-9964

•WISCONSIN DELLS, WI
INDIAN HEIGHTS BLDG.
N9557 DYER AVENUE
715/299-6104

•GREEN BAY, WI
BRANCH OFFICE
1047 9th STREET
920/360-1898